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KPD celebrates Capt. Mark Ozaki's graduation from FBI National Academy

LĪHU'E — The Kaua'i Police Department (KPD) recently celebrated the graduation of Capt. Mark Ozaki from the Federal Bureau of Investigation (FBI) National Academy in Quantico, Virginia. He was among 255 law enforcement officers who graduated in March from the academy's 279th session.

Ozaki was selected to represent KPD. He joined men and women from law enforcement agencies around the world, including 49 states, 32 countries, five military organizations and eight federal civilian organizations.

"Attending the FBI National Academy was one of the most challenging, yet rewarding leadership training experiences of my 20 years in law enforcement," said Ozaki. "A big takeaway was the FBI's emphasis on employee wellness and resiliency, and promoting a multidisciplinary approach to obtaining a healthier workforce. It also opened my eyes up to new ways of getting things done and how to run a successful police department and better serve the residents we protect."

The National Academy provides participants with 10 weeks of advanced community, leadership and fitness training. Instructors included FBI special agents and other internationally recognized staff members with advanced degrees.

"Throughout his two decades of service at KPD, Capt. Ozaki has proven himself to be an exceptional leader, which is only one of many reasons he was selected to attend the academy,"



said Chief of Police Todd G. Raybuck. "We are so proud of his accomplishments and I am excited to see how he implements his new skills."

Ozaki earned several fitness accolades during his time at the academy, including the "Yellow Brick Road," which is a 6.1-mile run through rugged terrain that was created by the U.S. Marines. He was also presented with awards for completing a 34-mile swim and a 34-mile paddle.

Upon returning to Kaua'i last month, Ozaki worked via teleconference during a voluntary 14-day quarantine.



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